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For: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF PERFLUOROPOLYETHERS HAVING ALDEHYDE, ALCOHOL, AMINE, END GROUPS BY CATALYTIC REDUCTION

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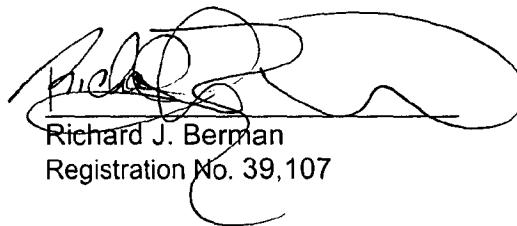
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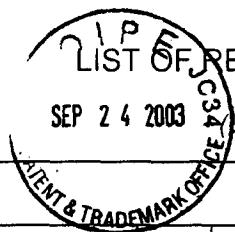


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